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TO AMEMBASSY QUITO
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SUBJECT: PARM STATE RESOURCES

REF: QUITO 2280

1. 1977 ECUADOR PARM SUBMISSION EVIDENCED A GOOD DISCUSSION OF THE LINKAGE BETWEEN POLICY AND RESOURCES. PART III WAS PARTICULARLY HELPFUL TO THE BUREAU FOR THE ZERO BASED BUDGETING OPERATIONS.
2. ARA BELIEVES THAT WITH THE POSSIBLE EXCEPTION OF THE CONSULAR SECTION IN GUAYAQUIL, STATE STAFFING IN ECUADOR APPEARS TO BE ADEQUATE.

THE REQUEST THAT THE CHIEF OF THE CONSULAR SECTION POSITION IN GUAYAQUIL BE RECLASSIFIED FROM 0-4 TO 0-3 CANNOT
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BE GIVEN AN AFFIRMATIVE RESPONSE AT THIS TIME. REALISTICALLY, BECAUSE OF STAFFING SHORTAGES, PER DOES NOT BELIEVE THAT AN 0-3, OR EVEN A STRONG 0-4, CAN BE SECURED FOR THE POSITION.

WITH RESPECT TO THE THREE CONSULAR FSL POSITIONS REQUESTED FOR GUAYAQUIL, THE POST REQUEST ASKED FOR

TWO, NOT THREE. THE DEPARTMENT AUTHORIZED ONE OF THESE
IN JUNE 1977. --

THE BUREAU HAS BEEN INFORMED BY M/MO THAT ITS REQUEST FOR
RETENTION OF THE POL/LAB OFFICER AND SECRETARIAL POSITION
HAS BEEN DENIED. HOWEVER, THE EMBASSY SUBSTITUTED E/C
POSITION NO. 20-116 FOR THE POL/LAB POSITION (SEE
STATE 91498).

GIVEN THE VERY TIGHT CEILING ON POSITIONS WITHIN ARA,
THE BUREAU IS NOT AT THIS TIME ABLE TO RESPOND FAVORABLY
TO THE REQUEST FOR AN 0-4 LEVEL COMMERCIAL/POLITICAL
OFFICER IN GUAYAQUIL.

SECTION III,C IDENTIFIES SEVERAL LOWER PRIORITY POSITIONS:
QUITO AMERICAN NURSE, CONSULAR OFFICER GUAYAQUIL, FSL
CHAUFFEUR QUITO, CONSULAR FSL GUAYAQUIL. THIS OFFICE
BELIEVES THAT FOR THE REASONS OUTLINED IN THE PARM, ALL
OF THESE POSITIONS SHOULD BE RETAINED.

THE QUESTION OF ASSIGNING A MARINE SECURITY GUARD
DETACHMENT TO GUAYAQUIL IS CURRENTLY UNDER REVIEW.

3. THERE WILL OBVIOUSLY NEED TO BE CONSIDERATION AND
FOLLOW-UP BY THE MODE OF SEVERAL RESOURCE QUESTIONS,
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PARTICULARLY THE PREVIOUSLY APPROVED BUT UNIMPLEMENTED
REORGANIZATION PROPOSAL (QUITO 07560 AND STATE 309281).

4. WE EMPHASIZE THAT PARM APPROVAL DOES NOT IMPLY CASE-BY-
CASE APPROVAL ON POSITION ADDITIONS, DELETIONS OR
REPROGRAMMING, WHICH MUST BE OBTAINED THROUGH USUAL
CHANNELS, CITING GENERAL APPROVAL IN THE PARM. CHRISTOPHER

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